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Acquisition of building site for Madapally High School, North Malabar.

* 1371 *Q.*—SRI C. KUNHIRAMA KURUP : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state whether the Government have under consideration any proposal to acquire a site for Madapally High School, North Malabar, for its building, and if so, when the school building will be completed?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" The Government propose to acquire 6·78 acres of private land for the construction of buildings and the provision of a playground for the Fisheries Technical High School at Madapally. The acquisition proceedings have not yet been completed. The construction of buildings will be taken up after the land has been acquired."

Acquisition of land for playground for Madapally Government Fisheries School, North Malabar.

* 1437 *Q.*—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) when the proposal for the acquisition of land for playground for Madapally Government Fisheries School, North Malabar, was sanctioned; and

(*b*) whether the acquisition proceedings have been completed?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (*a*) The proposal was sanctioned in April 1950.

" (*b*) The land acquisition proceedings have not yet been completed."

SRI C. KUNHIRAMA KURUP :—" Sanction was given five years ago and all the persons interested in the land and who were in possession of it gave it in writing that they had no objection to the acquisition of that land. Now, in view of the fact that this school has no playground, may I know why even in the last five years this Government could not acquire six acres of land? "

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" The Collector of Malabar has recently reported to the Government that the Revenue Divisional Officer has taken urgent steps to finalise the apportionment and pass the award. But no action had been taken so far under the emergency provisions. Therefore, all the normal processes had to be gone through. That is perhaps the reason for the delay."